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FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

ORIGINAL DATE 1/25/2006

SPONSOR Swisstack LAST UPDATED _____ HB 366

SHORT TITLE Administrative Office of District Attorneys SB _____

ANALYST McOlash

APPROPRIATION (dollars in thousands)

Appropriation		Recurring or Non-Rec	Fund Affected
FY06	FY07		
	\$2,082.5	Recurring	General Fund

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

Relates to Appropriations in the House Bill 7 and SB 1.

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

LFC Files

Responses Received From

Administrative Office of District Attorneys (AODA)

SUMMARY

Synopsis of Bill

House Bill 366 makes a special appropriation of \$2,082,500 from the General Fund to the AODA for expenditure in FY 2007 to provide for parity salary adjustments for AODA attorneys.

Any unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining at the end of FY 2007 shall revert to the General Fund.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

The appropriation contained in this bill is a recurring expense to the general fund. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining at the end of FY07 shall revert to the general fund.

House Bill 7, for the Legislative Finance Committee, provides for five percent salary increases for District Attorneys (\$81,955) and District Attorney employees (\$2,136,420).

SIGNIFICANT ISSUES

The AODA analysis indicates that prosecutors are the lowest paid attorneys in state government – an average of 15% less than other state attorneys with comparable experience. This translates into \$5,000 - \$12,000 per year less than other state attorneys.

WHAT WILL BE THE CONSEQUENCES OF NOT ENACTING THIS BILL

According to the AODA analysis, District Attorney's offices will continue to have high turnover rates and experience the efficiencies associated with being unable to retain a tenured attorney staff.

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